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In the claims:

Following is a complete set of claims as amended with this Response.

1. (Currently Amended) A method comprising:  
determining a start of reception of radio signals by a radio;  
generating a radio active signal including a packet, the packet including a radio receive start time and the packet being addressed to a component of a coupled computer;  
transmitting the radio active signal packet to the coupled computer over a high speed data communications bus to affect the radio interference generated by the coupled computer.
2. (Canceled)
3. (Previously Presented) The method of Claim 1, wherein determining the start of reception comprises predicting the start time using a timing reference of the radio.
4. (Previously Presented) The method of Claim 1, wherein a time slot of a repeating time division multiplex frame has been assigned to the radio, and wherein the assigned time slot is a receive time slot assigned to the coupled computer and wherein predicting the start time comprises predicting the start time using the coupled computer's clock as a timing reference.
5. (Currently Amended) The method of Claim 1, wherein transmitting the radio active signal packet comprises setting an interrupt in a status register of the high speed data communications bus.
6. (Currently Amended) The method of Claim 5, wherein transmitting the radio active signal packet comprises loading the packet in a register that is linked to servicing the interrupt.

7. (Currently Amended) The method of Claim 1, wherein the radio active signal packet includes a radio receive start time and a radio receive end time in a single packet.

8. (Currently Amended) The method of Claim 1, wherein transmitting the radio active signal packet comprises addressing the packet to CPU operating software of the coupled computer.

9. (Previously Presented) The method of Claim 1, wherein transmitting the radio active packet comprises addressing the packet to a power management module of the coupled computer.

10. (Previously Presented) The method of Claim 1, wherein transmitting the radio active packet comprises addressing the packet to a disk drive of the coupled computer.

11. (Currently Amended) The method of Claim 1, wherein the packet of the radio active signal packet indicates the start time and the duration of the radio reception.

12. (Previously Presented) The method of Claim 7, further comprising predicting the end of reception based on the start time and the expected duration of reception.

13. (Currently Amended) A machine-readable medium having stored thereon data representing instructions which, when executed by a machine, cause the machine to perform operations comprising:

determining a start of reception of radio signals by a radio ;

generating a radio active signal including a packet, the packet including a radio receive start time and the packet being addressed to a component of a coupled computer;

transmitting the radio active signal packet to the coupled computer over a high speed data communications bus to affect the radio interference generated by the coupled computer.

14. (Canceled)

15. (Previously Presented) The medium of Claim 13, wherein the instructions for determining the start of reception comprise instructions which, when executed by the machine, cause the machine to perform further operations comprising predicting the start time using a timing reference of the radio.

16. (Currently Amended) The medium of Claim 13, wherein the radio active signal packet includes a radio receive start time and a radio receive end time in a single packet.

17. (Currently Amended) The medium of Claim 16, wherein the instructions for transmitting a radio active signal packet comprise instructions which, when executed by the machine, cause the machine to perform further operations comprising addressing the packet to a power management module of the coupled computer.

18. (Currently Amended) The medium of Claim 13, wherein the packet of the radio active signal packet indicates the start time and the duration of the radio reception.

19. (Previously Presented) The medium of Claim 13, wherein the instructions further comprise instructions which, when executed by the machine, cause the machine to perform further operations comprising predicting the end of reception based on the start time and the expected duration of reception.

20. (Currently Amended) A radio comprising:  
a receiver;  
a processor to determine a start of reception of radio signals by the receiver and generate a radio active signal including a packet, the packet including the radio reception start time and the packet being addressed to a component of a coupled computer; and  
an external interface to a high speed data communications bus of the coupled computer to transmit the radio active signal packet over the bus to the coupled computer to affect the radio interference generated by the coupled computer.

21. (Original) The radio of Claim 20, further comprising a timing reference coupled to the processor for use in determining the start of reception and the end of reception by prediction.

22. (Previously Presented) The radio of Claim 20, further comprising a connector between the radio and the coupled computer coupled to the external interface and wherein the processor sets an interrupt in a status register of the high speed data communication bus through the connector.

23. (Previously Presented) The radio of Claim 22, wherein the external interface transmits the radio active packet by loading the packet in a register that is linked to servicing the interrupt.

24. (Previously Presented) The radio of Claim 20, wherein the radio active packet is addressed to CPU operating software of the coupled computer.

25. (Previously Presented) The radio of Claim 20, wherein the radio active packet is addressed to a power management module of the coupled computer.

26. (Previously Presented) The radio of Claim 20, wherein the radio active packet indicates the start time and the duration of the radio reception.

27. (Currently Amended) A method comprising:

receiving a radio active signal including a packet over a high speed data communications bus at a computer having a CPU from a coupled radio, the radio active packet indicating a start of reception of radio signals by the coupled radio and being addressed to a component of the computer ; and

adjusting system operating parameters of the computer in response to the radio active signal packet to reduce interference with the radio.

28. (Currently Amended) The method of Claim 27, wherein receiving the radio active signal packet includes receiving an interrupt in a status register of the high speed data communications bus, the method further comprising polling the register for the interrupt .

29. (Canceled)

30. (Previously Presented) The method of Claim 27, wherein a time slot of a repeating time division multiplex frame has been assigned to the coupled radio, and wherein the assigned time slot is a receive time slot and wherein predicting the start time comprises predicting the start time using the computer's clock as a timing reference.

31. (Currently Amended) The method of Claim 27, wherein receiving the radio active signal packet comprises receiving an interrupt in a status register of the high speed data communications bus of the computer.

32. (Currently Amended) The method of Claim 31, wherein receiving the radio active signal packet comprises loading the packet in a register that is linked to servicing the interrupt.

33. (Currently Amended) The method of Claim 27, wherein the radio active signal packet includes a radio receive start time and a radio receive end time in a single packet.

34. (Currently Amended) The method of Claim 33, wherein receiving the radio active signal packet comprises receiving the packet addressed to CPU operating software of the computer.

35. (Currently Amended) The method of Claim 33, wherein receiving the radio active signal packet comprises receiving the packet addressed to a power management module of the computer.

36. (Currently Amended) The method of Claim 27, wherein receiving the radio active signal packet comprises receiving the packet addressed to a disk drive.

37. (Currently Amended) The method of Claim 27, wherein the radio active signal packet comprises a single packet indicating the start time and the duration of the radio reception.

38. (Original) The method of Claim 27, wherein adjusting the system operating parameters comprises reducing the system clock rate.

39. (Original) The method of Claim 27, wherein adjusting the system operating parameters comprises turning off a CPU clock of the computer.

40. (Original) The method of Claim 27, wherein adjusting the system operating parameters comprises interrupting traffic on the computer system bus.

41. (Original) The method of Claim 27, wherein adjusting the system operating parameters comprises suspending operation of selected peripheral components of the computer.

42. (Currently Amended) A machine-readable medium having stored thereon data representing instructions which, when executed by a machine, cause the machine to perform operations comprising:

receiving a radio active signal including a packet over a high speed data communications bus at a computer having a CPU from a coupled radio, the radio active packet indicating a start of reception of radio signals by the coupled radio and being addressed to a component of the computer ; and

adjusting system operating parameters of the computer in response to the packet to reduce interference with the radio.

43. (Currently Amended) The medium of Claim 42, further comprising instructions which, when executed by the machine, cause the machine to perform further operations comprising polling a status register on the high speed data communications bus for an interrupt and then reading the radio active packet from an associated register.

44. (Canceled)

45. (Currently Amended) The medium of Claim 43 , wherein the instructions for receiving the radio active signal packet comprise instructions which, when executed by the machine, cause the machine to perform further operations comprising loading the packet in a register that is linked to servicing the interrupt .

46. (Currently Amended) The medium of Claim 42, wherein the radio active signal packet includes a radio receive start time and a radio receive end time in a single packet.

47. (Currently Amended) The medium of Claim 46, wherein the instructions for receiving the radio active signal packet comprise instructions which, when executed

by the machine, cause the machine to perform further operations comprising receiving the packet addressed to CPU operating software of the computer.

48. (Original) The medium of Claim 42, wherein the instructions for adjusting the system operating parameters comprise instructions which, when executed by the machine, cause the machine to perform further operations comprising reducing the system clock rate.

49. (Original) The medium of Claim 42, wherein the instructions for adjusting the system operating parameters comprise instructions which, when executed by the machine, cause the machine to perform further operations comprising turning off a CPU clock of the computer.

50. (Currently Amended) A computer comprising:

an I/O data communications bus to receive a radio active signal including a packet from a coupled radio, the radio active packet indicating a start time and an end time for reception of radio signals by the coupled radio, the packet being addressed to a component of the computer; and

a CPU coupled to the bus to adjust system operating parameters of the computer to reduce interference with the and to readjust the system operating parameters of the computer for operation without regard to interference with the radio in response to the radio active packet .

51. (Previously Presented) The computer of Claim 50, further comprising a timing reference clock to use in predicting a start time for reception by the radio in response to the radio active packet .

52. (Currently Amended) The computer of Claim 50, further comprising a connector coupled to the I/O data communications bus and wherein the I/O data



communications bus receives the radio active signal packet by detecting a state of a status register on the connector and reading the radio active packet from an associated register.

53. (Currently Amended) The computer of Claim 52, wherein the I/O data communications bus receives the radio active signal packet by receiving an interrupt in a status register of the I/O data communications bus and the radio active packet in a register linked to the status register .

54. (Previously Presented) The computer of Claim 50, wherein the radio active packet is addressed to the CPU.

55. (Original) The computer of Claim 54, further comprising a power management module coupled to the CPU to receive an instruction from the CPU to execute power management functions to reduce interference.

56. (Previously Presented) The computer of Claim 50, further comprising a power management system and wherein the radio active packet is addressed to a power management system.

57. (Currently Amended) The computer of Claim 50, wherein the radio active signal packet comprises a single packet indicating the start time and the duration of the radio reception.

58. (Original) The computer of Claim 50, wherein interference is reduced by reducing the system clock rate.

59. (Original) The computer of Claim 50, wherein interference is reduced by turning off a CPU clock of the computer.

60. (Original) The computer of Claim 50, wherein interference is reduced by interrupting traffic on the computer system bus.

61. (Original) The computer of Claim 50, wherein interference is reduced by suspending operation of selected peripheral components of the computer.

62. (Currently Amended) A method comprising:  
determining a start of reception of radio signals by a radio ;  
generating a radio active signal including a packet, the packet including a radio receive start time and the packet being addressed to a component of a coupled computer;  
transmitting the radio active signal packet to the component of the coupled computer to which the packet is addressed to affect the radio interference generated by the coupled computer.

63. (Previously Presented) The method of Claim 62, wherein a time slot of a repeating time division multiplex frame has been assigned to the radio, and wherein the assigned time slot is a receive time slot assigned to the coupled computer and wherein predicting the start time comprises predicting the start time of the assigned time slot.

64. (Currently Amended) The method of Claim 62, wherein transmitting the radio active signal packet comprises setting an interrupt in a status register of the high speed data communications bus.

65. (Currently Amended) The method of Claim 64, wherein transmitting the radio active signal packet comprises loading the packet in a register corresponding to the component to which the packet is addressed.

66. (Previously Presented) The method of Claim 62, wherein the component to which the packet is addressed corresponds to CPU operating software of the coupled computer.

67. (Previously Presented) The method of Claim 62, wherein the component to which the packet is addressed comprises a power management module of the coupled computer.

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